

## **REMARKS**

### **I. Status of Application**

Claims 1-7 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-5 are allowed. Claims 6 and 7 are objected to.

### **II. Formalities**

The Examiner has acknowledged Applicant's claim to foreign priority and has indicated that all of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

The Examiner has indicated that the drawings filed on June 14, 2006 have been accepted.

The Examiner has considered all the references cited with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 14, 2006 and June 21, 2007.

### **III. Claim Objections**

Claims 6 and 7 are objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) as allegedly being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from any other multiple dependent claim. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections and submits that, contrary to the grounds of objection, neither claim 6 nor claim 7 is a multiple dependent claim. Indeed, claim 6 depends from claim 5 alone and claim 7 depends from claim 6 alone. Therefore, claims 6 and 7 are in proper form and Applicant respectfully requests that these objections be withdrawn.

Further, during a telephone interview conducted on June 9, 2009, the Examiner confirmed that the current objections to claims 6 and 7 are improper and agreed to withdraw these objections if formal arguments to this effect were set forth in a formal written response to the outstanding *Ex Parte Quayle* Action.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw these objections.

#### **IV. Objections to the Specification**

The Abstract of the Disclosure is objected to due to alleged informalities. Without conceding to the merits of the Examiner's objections, the Abstract has been replaced with a new Abstract, as set forth above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw these objections.

#### **V. Conclusion**

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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